

## **ASI Monthly Report for the Access Board Meeting on May 19, 2014**

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To: LA County Commission on Disabilities

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Subject: ASI Monthly Report for June 18<sup>th</sup> LACCOD Meeting

The May 19<sup>th</sup> Access Board Meeting was held at the Access Headquarters in El Monte, Agenda Item 4: was the Superior Service Award which went to Karina Abrica who has worked for GPI Transportation in the Antelope Valley as a driver.

Agenda Item 6: was a report from Michael Arigo, the Chair of the CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee) that met earlier in May, which was the main substance of my report in May. To refresh memories it was mainly the introduction of a new TAP Card with no VISA Logo and larger print, and the introduction of a new service which allows parents with disabilities to drop off and pick up their children from school.

Agenda Item 7. Was General Comment which leaves me with nothing to report.

Agenda Item 8. The consent calendar, which included such items as A. Commercial Business Package B. Employee Health and Benefits C. Extension of West Central Service Area Contract D. Virtual Desktop Infrastructure Contract E. Consideration to Renew Self—Insured Retention Automobile Liability Program F. Consideration to authorize funding for Back-up service providers, and G. Award the Data Services contract. These items were approved and will take effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Agenda Item 9. Mr. Matthew Avancena spoke about the Social Services Transportation Inventory and Survey Report which he has been involved with, which in essence is an Independent consulting firm that was brought in to conduct a survey on behalf of Access Services. The State requires such a survey to be completed every four to six years to assist in providing a better coordination of transportation services and needs within the County. These survey's or plan's are then used as a basis for future funding:

The Goals and Objectives of the data gathered from the inventory and survey will be used by Access' Mobility Management program to update its directory of specialized transportation providers. Access will also use survey data to update its listing of all fixed route service operators and any Dial-a-Ride services

provided in the County to increase the mobility options for persons with disabilities, older adults, and people with low incomes.

Additionally, Access may use the information gathered from the travel training assessment to develop alternative cost-savings model to determine program effectiveness.

A detailed discussion of the project objectives and outreach efforts are included in the report. The draft report can be found on, the Access Services website.